Introduced by Assembly Member Bradford

February 24, 2012

An act to add and repeal Section 2827.1 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to electricity.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2514, as introduced, Bradford. Net energy metering.

Under existing law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations. Existing law, relative to private energy producers, requires every electric utility, as defined, to make available to an eligible customer-generator, as defined, a standard contract or tariff for net energy metering on a first-come-first-served basis until the time that the total rated generating capacity used by eligible customer-generators exceeds 5% of the electric utility's aggregate customer peak demand. Electrical corporations are an electric utility for these purposes.

This bill would require the commission to complete a study by June 30, 2013, to determine the extent to which each class of ratepayers receiving service under the net energy metering tariff is paying the full cost of the services provided to them by electrical corporations and the extent to which those customers pay their share of the costs of public purpose programs. The bill would require the commission to report the results of the study to the Legislature within 30 days of its completion.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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12 13 The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 2827.1 is added to the Public Utilities 2 Code, to read:
- 2827.1. (a) By June 30, 2013, the commission shall complete a study to determine the extent to which each class of ratepayers receiving service under the net energy metering tariff authorized pursuant to Section 2827 is paying the full cost of the services provided to them by electrical corporations and the extent to which those customers pay their share of the costs of public purpose programs.
- 10 (b) (1) The commission shall report the results of the study to the Legislature within 30 days of its completion.
 - (2) The report shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.
- 14 (3) Pursuant to Section 10231.5 of the Government Code, this section is repealed on July 1, 2017.